## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A seatbelt device comprising:

a pre-tensioner for tensioning a seatbelt by moving a member connected to the seat belt; and

a shock absorbing mechanism for absorbing shock resulting from stopping the movement of the member,

wherein the shock absorbing <u>mechanism</u> member includes two compressible members, the second compressible member surrounding the first compressible member.

## 2. (Canceled)

- 3. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the two compressible members include accordion folds.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the first compressible member includes a compressible portion and a rigid portion.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the second compressible member is configured to begin compressing immediately upon movement of the moving member due to operation of the pre-tensioner in order to absorb shock due to movement of the member.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 5, wherein the first compressible member is configured to begin compressing after the second compressible member has undergone a predetermined amount of compression.

- 7. (Original) The device of claim 5, wherein the compression of the second compressible member is limited by a rigid portion of the first compressible member.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 5, wherein the first compressible member covers a wire connected to the pre-tensioner.
- 9. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the member connected to the seatbelt comprises a buckle.
- 10. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the member connected to the seatbelt comprises a lap anchor.
- 11. (Original) The device of claim 1, further comprising a wire connected to the member and connected to the pre-tensioner.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 11, wherein the shock absorbing mechanism is configured to hold the wire at a predetermined angle from a direction in which the member moves.
- 13. (Original) A seat belt device comprising:
  - a pre-tensioner;
  - a movable member connected to the seat belt:
- a wire connected to the pre-tensioner and the movable member, wherein during operation of the pre-tensioner the wire is pulled causing the movable member to move and the seat belt to be tensioned; and
- a shock absorbing mechanism configured to absorb shock associated with movement of the member;

wherein the shock absorbing mechanism includes two compressible members positioned around the wire.

- 14. (Currently Amended) A seat belt device comprising:
  - a pre-tensioner;
  - a movable member connected to the seat belt;
- a wire connected to the pre-tensioner and the movable member, wherein during operation of the pre-tensioner the wire is pulled causing the movable member to move and the seat belt to be tensioned; and
- a shock absorbing mechanism configured to absorb shock associated with movement of the member;

wherein the shock absorbing <u>mechanism</u> <u>member</u> includes two compressible members, the first compressible member surrounding the second compressible member and wherein the second compressible member includes a relatively rigid portion to limit the movement of the movable member.

- 15. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the shock absorbing mechanism limits the movement of the movable member.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the shock absorbing mechanism is configured to prevent a direct collision between the member and a bracket connected to the pre-tensioner when the pre-tensioner is activated.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the second compressible member comprises accordion folds.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 17, wherein the first compressible member includes a compressible portion and a rigid portion.